SBIRT IOWA

Provider Manual October 2012 - Release #3: Use of Discretionary Funds

Subject: Use of Discretionary Grant Funds for Incentives for Program

Participants

Effective Date: March 3, 2014

Release #3 contains information for providers who have a contract with the Iowa Department of Public Health (IDPH) to provide Screening, Brief Intervention and Referral to Treatment (SBIRT) covered services.

Purpose: Use of Discretionary grant funds for incentives to encourage individuals to return for the Government Performance and Results Act (GPRA) data 6-month follow-up interviews. IDPH has issued this Provider Release as an amendment to the October 2012 Provider Manual to include guidance for payment of 6-month GPRA Follow-up interviews.

Use of Funding for support of direct costs related to 6-Month GPRA Follow-up Interviews

Effective immediately, the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA) has updated their policy for Use of Discretionary Grant Funds for Incentives to Program Participants. SAMHSA projects may provide incentives to program participants to encourage individuals to return for 6 month GPRA follow-up interviews. SAMHSA has increased the limit on incentives from a value of \$20 to a value of \$30.

Additional Information:

- Incentive payments may not be paid to a participant in the means of cash. Only Gift cards to local vendors may be provided to participants who complete the GPRA 6 month follow-up.
- Documentation of distribution of gift card(s) to participant should be made within the Iowa Service Management and Reporting Tool (I-SMART).